Docket No.: 050212-0730 **PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277

Yoshiki NISHIBAYASHI, et al. : Confirmation Number: 9399

Application No.: 10/594,718 : Group Art Unit: 1783

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For: METHOD FOR FORMING CARBONACEOUS MATERIAL PROTRUSION AND

CARBONACEOUS MATERIAL PROTRUSION

AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 7, 2009, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire March 7, 2010, a three-month extension of time up to and including June 7, 2010 being filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.